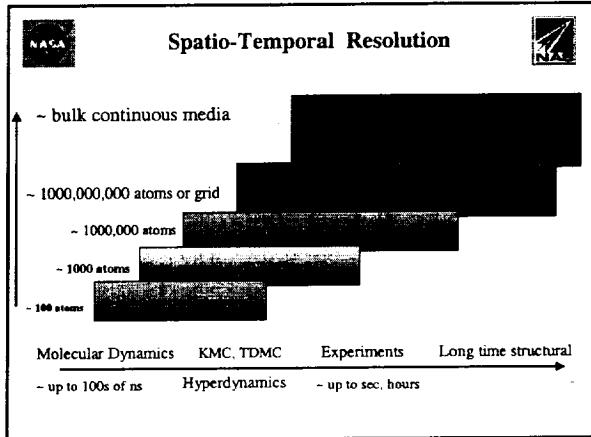
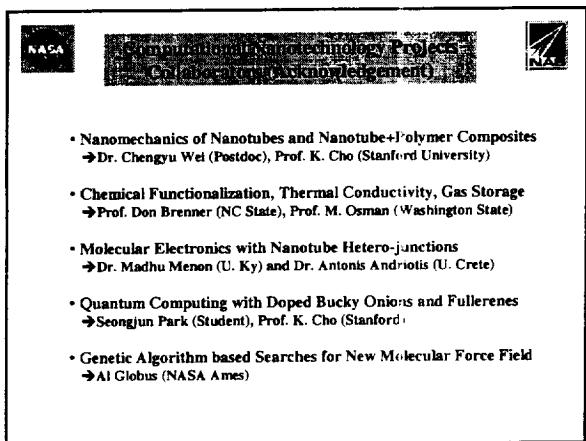
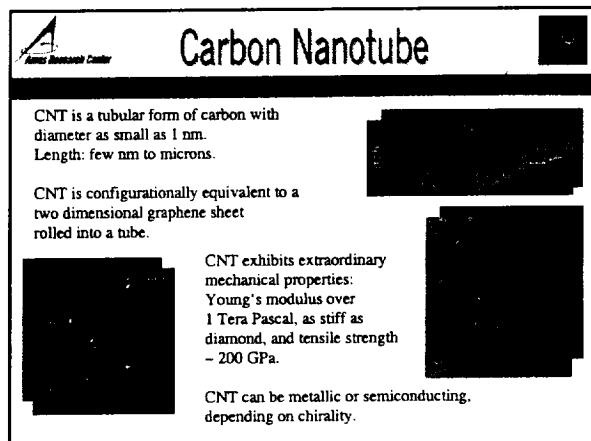
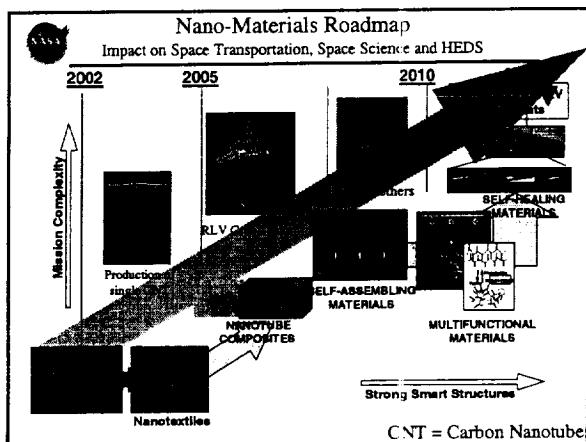
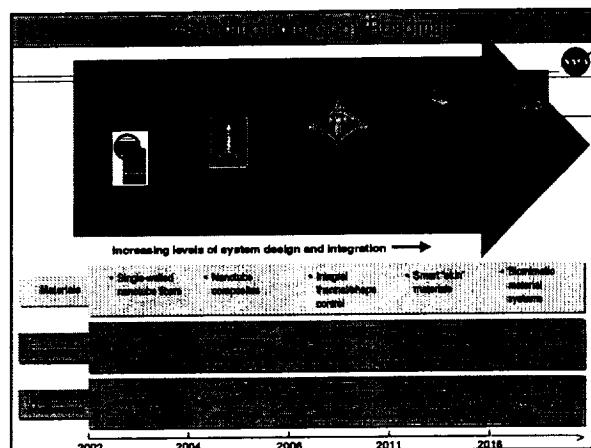
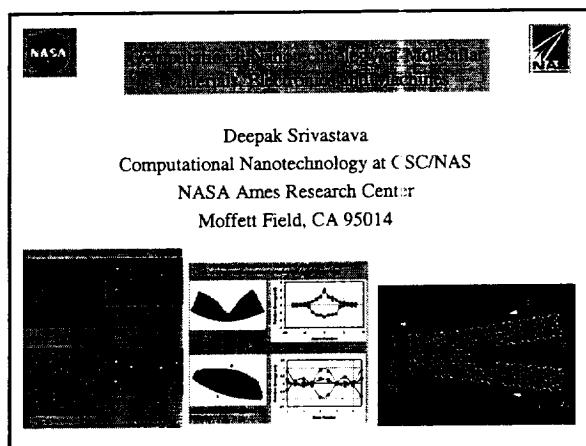


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- High value of Young's Modulus (1.2 -1.3 T Pa for SWNTs)
- Elastic limit up to 10-15% strain

Computer Simulations: Characterization of New Materials!

NASA **Experimental validation of nanotube mechanical properties** **NASA**

- Experiment: buckling and collapse of nanotubes embedded in polymer composites.

Buckle, bend and loops of thick tubes.

Local collapse or fracture of thin tubes.

NASA **Computational Mechanics and Nanotubes** **NASA**

Nanostructured skin effect !

Computer Simulations Generating new IP !

NASA **Buckling and collapse of nanotubes** **NASA**

Simulation: 30% yielding strain from fast strain rate (1/ps) molecular dynamics simulations (B. Yakobson et al. 1997)

Experiments: 6% maximum strain in SWCNT ropes; 12% maximum strain in MWCNTs ?

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Transition State Theory Derived Formula

- yielding: strongly dependent on the strain rate and temperature !
- Linear dependence on the temperature of the yielding strain vs strain rate ~ activated process

Experimental feasible conditions: length ~ 1 μ m; strain rate ~ 1/hour, T ~ 300K

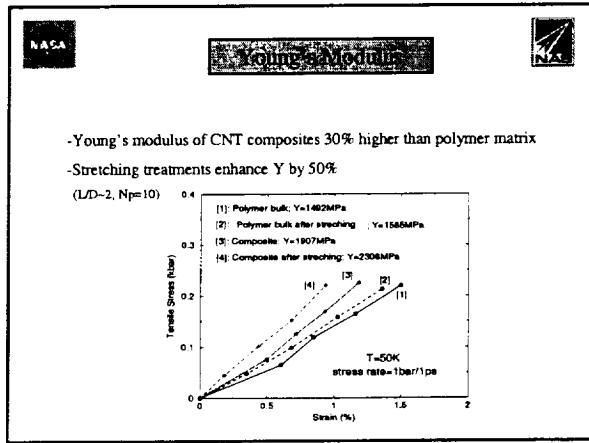
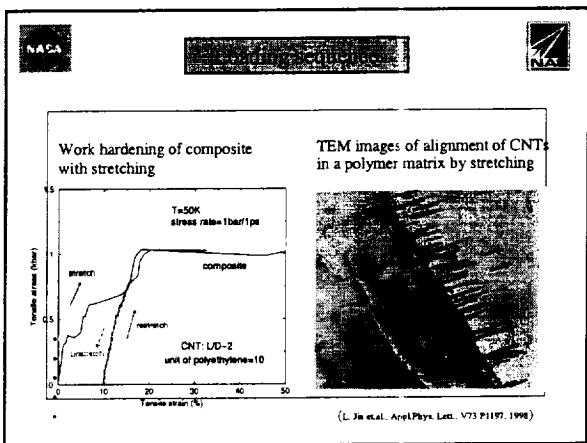
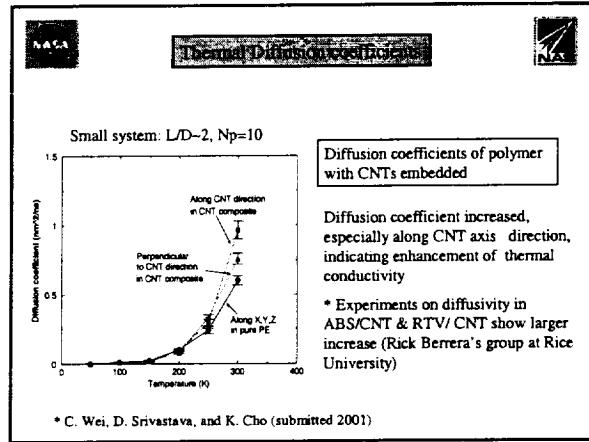
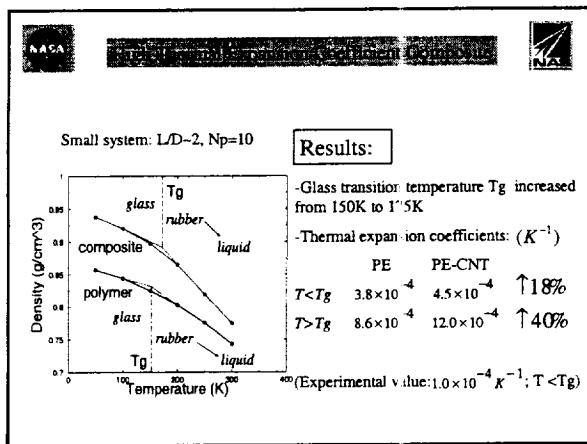
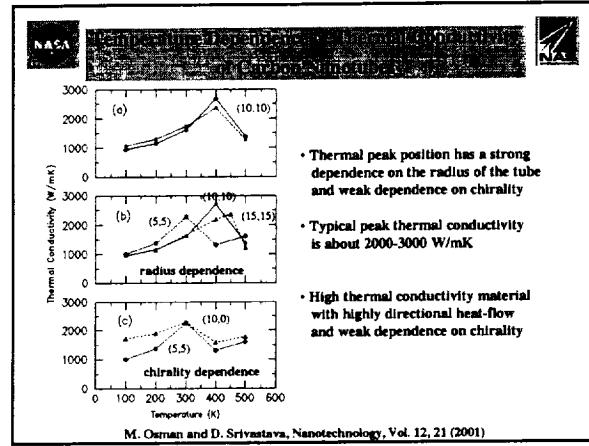
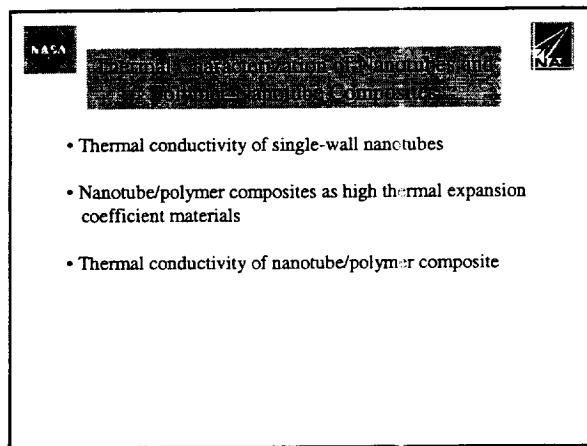
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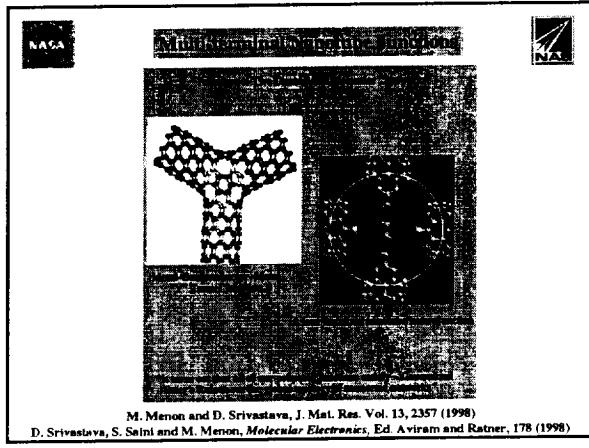
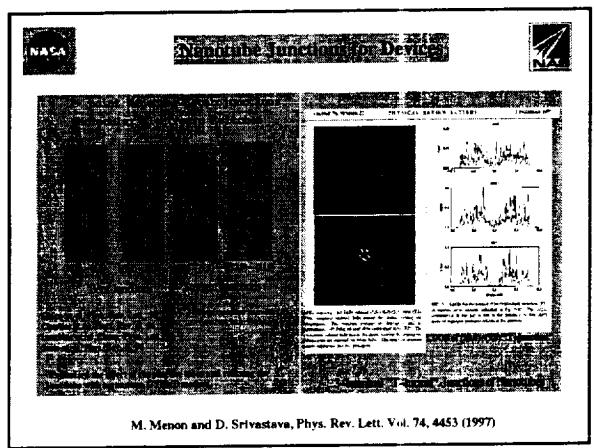
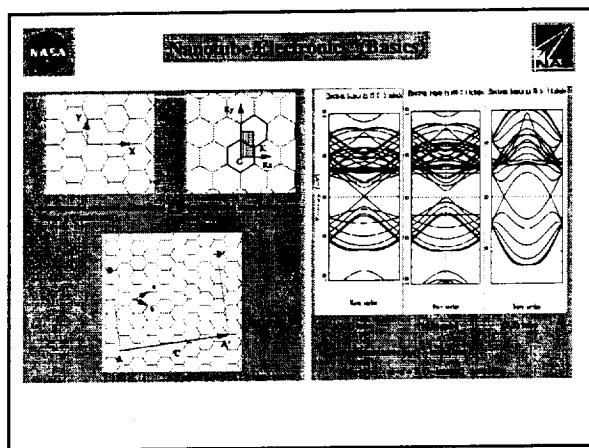
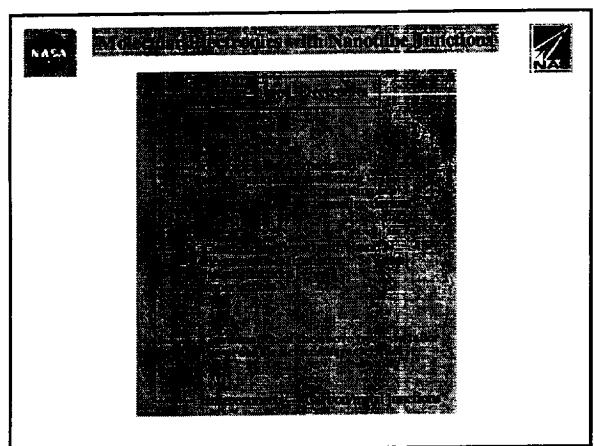
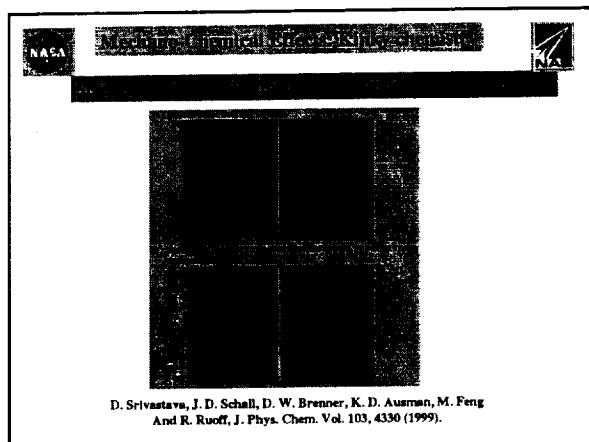
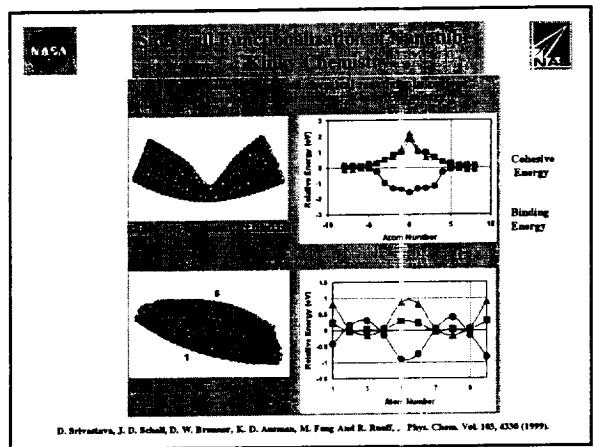
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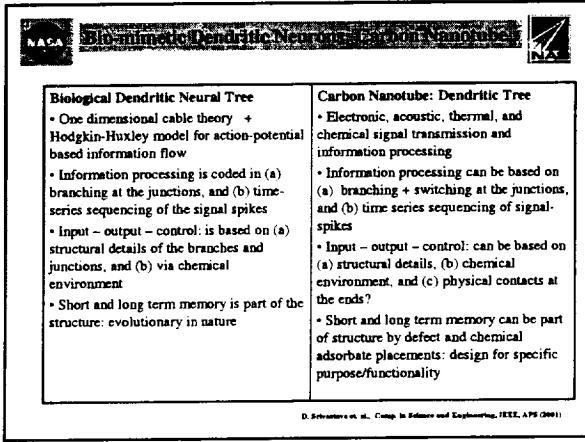
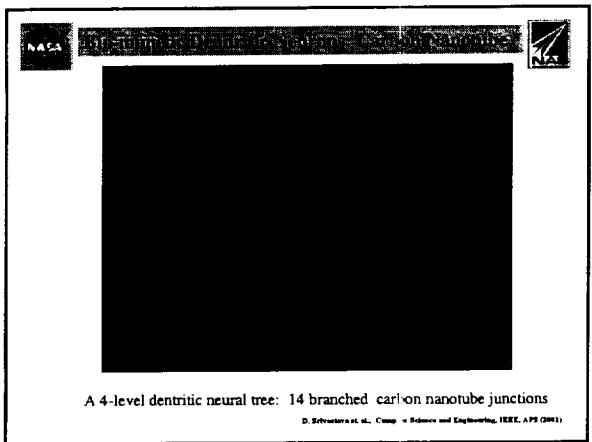
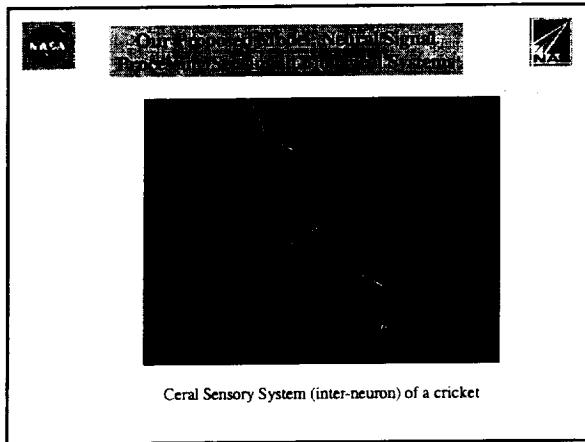
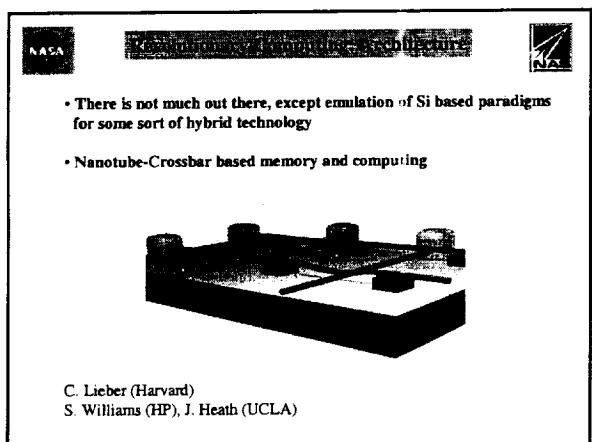
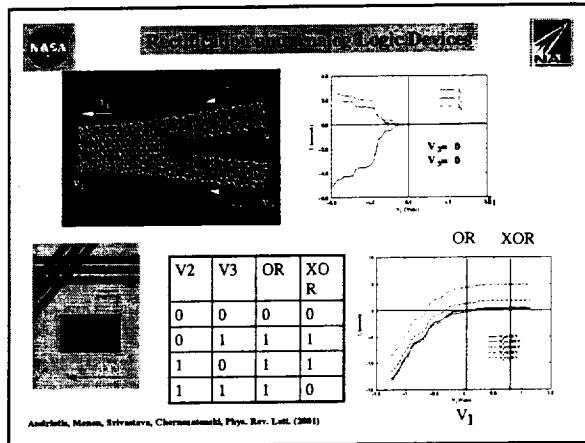
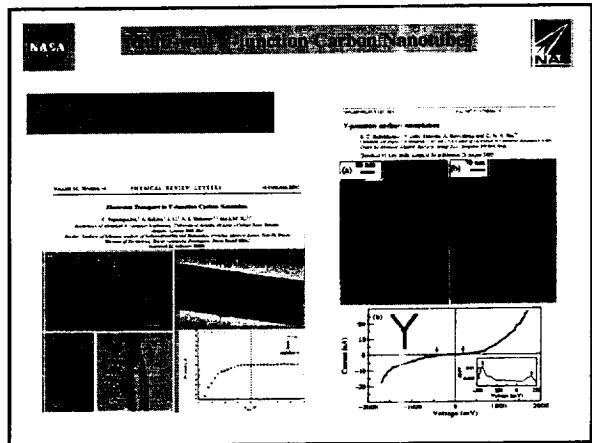
- Structural and thermal properties
- Load transfer and mechanical properties

SEM images of polymer (polyvinylalcohol) ribbon contained CNT fibers & knotted CNT fibers

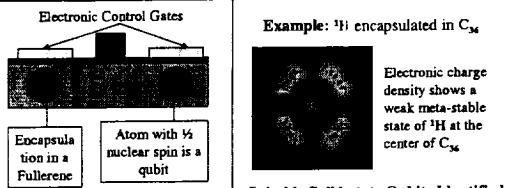
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Solution: Use Encapsulated Atoms as Qubits !



Proposal: Arrays of "encapsulated" atoms (with $\frac{1}{2}$ nuclear spin – qubits) will be easy to fabricate as compared to the arrays of the similar bare atoms.

Suitable Solid-state Qubits Identified:

- ^1H encapsulated in a $\text{C}_{36}\text{D}_{20}$ fullerene
- ^{31}P encapsulated in a diamond nanocrystallite

Charge Density of ^1H Encapsulated in $\text{C}_{20}\text{D}_{20}$

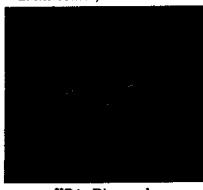
- The valence electron charge density of ^1H leaks out of $\text{C}_{20}\text{D}_{20}$ cage molecule. This is good and needed for neighboring qubit interactions.



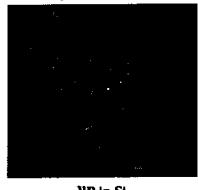
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Model 2: ^{31}P doped in Diamond or Silicon

- Weakly bound donor electron has strong S-like electronic charge density at the center, and a reasonable spread of the decay for off center positions



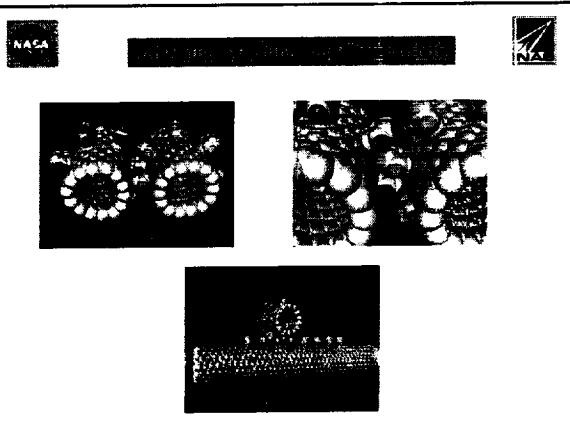
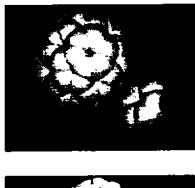
^{31}P in Diamond



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Nanomanipulation in Virtual World

